

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1945

REGULAR MEETING - Beginning at 8:00 o'clock P.M. P.M.T. January 3, 1945

ROLL CALL - Councilmen Coffield, W.J., Riggs, W.E., Tolliver, Harry J., Weihe, Otto A. and Rinn, Robert H. (Mayor) present, none absent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - No persons appearing, this order of business was passed.

COMMUNICATIONS, NOTICES & REPORTS -

Official notification of transfers of alcoholic beverage licenses to new owners at 112-114 N. School Street and of a new "off sale" license at 201 W. Pine Street was received from the State Board of Equalization. Dr Raymond L. Owens, owner of the lot on the Southeast corner of Pine Street and Lee Avenue, applied by letter for modification of the zoning laws so that a proposed building to be erected on this lot would not have to conform to the set back lines established by the location of the dwelling houses comprising the improvements on the rest of the block. This application was referred to the City Planning Commission in conformance with the provisions of Ordinance No 238.

H. E. Looser as agent for E.T. Bamert, subdivider of the lands comprising "Bamert Subdivision" applied by letter for the rezoning of each of Lots 52-A, 69, 70, 87, 88, 105 and 122 of that subdivision so that these lots would be included in the Commercial District Zone instead of in the Single Family Residence District Zone as at present. This application was also referred to the City Planning Commission for recommendation.

City and County Planning Service of 305 Nicolaus Building, Sacramento offered planning service on a retainer fee basis. Letter ordered filed. California State War Council urged by letter that the City adopt the Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Plan approved by the State War Council on September 15th and submitted to the City Council on October 18th when the advisability of its approval was referred to the City Attorney and to the Chief of Police for recommendation. Mr West, City Attorney, being present, stated that he still had the same objections as he voiced at the time the plan was submitted to the Council, that is, that the call on local law enforcement services might be so great as to endanger this city's security. At the suggestion of Councilman Weihe, the communication was ordered tabled.

California Veterans' Committee requested information on any local program for coordinating the activities of various agencies offering services to returning veterans. The Clerk was directed to reply, stating the local agencies now active and requesting suggestions of the Committee as to the best method to be used to make these agencies work harmoniously and to the best effect.

Reports of the Chief of Police and of the City Poundmaster for the month of December were received, read and ordered filed.

In accordance with the provisions of Resolution No 1200, the City Clerk reported total collection of \$2 542.50 in December from which the City retained \$433.50 for its collecting service and paid \$2 109.00 to the contractor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

This being the date set by due publication of "Notice to Contractors" for the opening of bids on the replacement of curbs, gutters and sidewalks on the Northeast corner of Pine and School Streets, the Clerk reported that no bids had been received. Assistant City Engineer Singer reported that contractors interviewed by him did not care to bid on account of the labor shortage. On recommendation of City Engineer C. L. White, any further action in this matter was postponed until January 17th, when, if deemed advisable, new bids would be called for with a commencement date that would insure completion of the job after the rainy season.

NEW BUSINESS -

On recommendation of the Director of Recreation, a Class Specification entitled " Playground Director, Athletic Specialist" was added to the list of Class Specifications contained in the "Procedure and Methods for Personnel Administration" by the adoption of Resolution No 1219 introduced by Councilman Coffield, Weihe second, and passed by unanimous vote of all members of the City Council.

On recommendation of the Assistant City Engineer, John Zundel, Laborer, Park Department was granted leave of absence without pay for the period January 2nd to January 31, 1945 on his application stating that he desired this leave to obtain medical attention for hernia.

Business license applications were received from Otto L. Steele to conduct a garage business at 130 N. School Street, John Krause, building supplies at 4 West Pine Street, Eagle Rock Oil Company, Service Station 303 N. Church St. and Albert Pierucci and Joseph Jordano, Restaurant, 8 S. Main Street. All the above applications ordered referred to the Chief of Police.

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Business license applications presented December 6, 1944 having received the written approval of the Chief of Police, were ordered granted.

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS -

On motion of Councilman Coffield, Weihe second, claims in the amount of \$27 159.32 as approved by the Finance Committee were allowed and ordered paid.

MISCELLANEOUS -

Superintendent of Public Utilities John A. Henning asked the direction of the City Council as to the presentation of bills to the Childs Day Care Center for services rendered by the City. The City Clerk was directed to bill the Center for all amounts expended and request a statement of income and expense of the center if the City was to be requested as contributing some part of its bill for support of this activity.

City Engineer C. L. White reported on progress in securing rights of way for the proposed sewer outfall and on his efforts to secure aid from the State Railroad Commission's engineers in the construction of the Tokay Street Crossing of the Southern Pacific Company's tracks.

On motion of Councilman Coffield, Weihe second, the Engineering Department was authorized to purchase a disc from Thompson-Sage Company at a price of \$ 520.94.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - At this time the Council was resolved into Committee of the Whole and the room cleared returning to open meeting at 10:26 P.M.

It appearing on statement of the City Engineer that an injustice had been done Frank W. Hickok, Utility Man, in setting his wage at \$155.00 per month by Resolution No 1209 adopted July 19, 1944, such wage being below the minimum set for this classification, it was ordered on motion of Councilman Tolliver, Coffield second, that Mr Hickok's wages be fixed at \$ 160.00 per month effective January 1, 1945.

On motion of Councilman Weihe, Riggs second, T.E. Nickel was allowed to connect to City water service for his home on Lot 1, Gerard Tract, all service connections to be at applicants expense and installed to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Public Utilities.

Because of the critical labor shortage, the City Clerk was directed to prepare a draft of an amendment to the personnel system Ordinance relating to temporary or emergency appointments for periods of longer than ninety days when it could be shown that there were no qualified applicants, such amendment to be effective during the war-time emergency only.

ADJOURNMENT -

At 10:51 o'clock P.M. the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Coffield.

Attest:

J. F. Blakely
J. F. BLAKELY, City Clerk

The foregoing minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held on January 3, 1945 were read at length at a subsequent meeting of said City Council held on January 17, 1945 and approved without correction.

Robert H. Quinn
ROBERT H. QUINN, Mayor
January 17, 1945.